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Title: The Minister of Parliamentary Affairs on behalf of the Minister of Mines laid a statement regarding status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 19th Report of Standing Committee on Coal and Steel pertaing to the Ministry of Mines.

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI PRIYA RANJAN DASMUNSI): Sir, on behalf of my colleague Shri Sis Ram Ola, I am laying this statement on the implementation of the recommendations of the Standing Committee on Coal and Steel relating to Ministry of Mines contained in their 19th Report as per directions of the hon. Speaker, Lok Sabha.

The 19th Report of the Standing Committee on Coal and Steel regarding "Prevention of illegal mining" has been presented to the Lok Sabha on 4.8.2006. Action taken on the recommendations of the Committee has already been sent to the Committee Office on 15.3.2007. There were 14 recommendations in the 19th Report of the Committee on which action was called for on the part of the Government.

The status of the implementation is indicated in the Annexure to my statement, which is laid on the Table of the House. I would not like to take the valuable time of the House to read the Annexure and request that these may be considered as read.

* Laid on the Table and also placed in Library. See No. LT 6557/07.